



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

CHANEY, et al.

Art Unit: 1638

Application No.: 09/147,721

Examiner: M. Ibrahim

Filed: February 24, 1999

Attorney Dkt. No.: 108172-09005

For: METHOD FOR PHYTOMINING OF NICKEL, COBALT AND OTHER METALS
FROM SOIL

STATEMENT VERIFYING SMALL ENTITY STATUS

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 22031


November 13, 2001

Sir:

The above-identified application claims small entity status.

In the event any fees are required, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

Respectfully submitted,



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BOX: AFTER FINAL

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

November 13, 2001

Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated June 25, 2001, a Petition for Extension of Time for two months from September 25, 2001 to November 25, 2001 attached hereto, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 12 and add the following new claims.